

Oakland and vicinity—Fair tonight and Tuesday; light easterly winds.

GENERAL STRIKE IS DECLARED IN BERLIN

UNMASKED CROOK ROBS BANK OF SARATOGA

Cashier Tuthill and His Girl Stenographer Compelled to Enter Steel Vault at Point of Gun; Grabs Roll of Bills

DARING ROBBER GETS AWAY IN FAST AUTO

Officers of Oakland and S. F. on Lookout for Thief; Beats Phone Message to San Jose and Then Heads Northward

At a command of "Hands up!" Cashier J. B. Tuthill of the Bank of Saratoga, in the town of that name, twelve miles south of San Jose, looked up from his task of counting a sheaf of bills shortly after 11 o'clock this morning to find that a smooth-faced stranger stood before the cage with a revolver leveled at him.

"Faster," barked the bandit, and Tuthill put his hands above his head.

GIRL STENOGRAPHER IS ALSO LINED UP

Keeping a revolver trained on the bank cashier, the bandit, after a swift glance about the bank, it was empty of patrons. The only other occupant was Tuthill's stenographer, Mary P. McLaren, terror-stricken at her desk behind the wire enclosure.

"You, too," said the bandit.

And obediently Miss McLaren got to her feet and, with her hands held high, lined up beside Tuthill.

Then with the weapon menacing them, the bank cashier and his stenographer moved backward step by step, their hands above their heads, until they reached the bank's steel vault. The door stood open.

COUPLE SHUT UP IN STEEL VAULT

"In with you," commanded the bandit, and the couple backed inside the vault, where the bandit closed the door and slammed the steel door shut.

Sweeping up the pile of bills which Tuthill had been counting, and some others nearby, the bandit counted to a total of \$1100, the bandit ran out of the bank.

Scarcely had he darted from the building than Cashier Tuthill pushed open the vault door. He reached the street door of the bank in time to see the bandit making off up the state highway towards San Jose in a high-powered automobile.

BANDIT'S AUTO IS SWIFTER THAN PHONE

Tuthill's first thought was to head off the bandit at San Jose. Calling for the long distance telephone operator, he tried to notify the office of the Police Department in San Jose. But through delay in getting his connection, the bandit, traveling at a high rate of speed, had whipped through San Jose and was gone, ere the police received the warning.

Oakland and San Francisco police were at once notified and cordons of guards spread out on the roads leading in from the south. Although the San Jose police believe the bandit was heading up the peninsula, Oakland authorities believe he will head this way as offering a better chance of escape.

Cashier Tuthill has given only a meager description of the bandit, but it is known he was not masked. He wore a long duster or motoring coat and a soft hat pulled far down on his eyes.

Mackay Makes Charge Against Burlinson

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Clarence H. Mackay, president of the Commercial Cable Company, charged, in a statement issued here, that Postmaster-General Burleson was implicated in a "plot" to bring about government ownership of all wire communications, "and incidentally enable the Western Union and Bell Telephone companies to sell out to the government at a high price."

Mackay declared Burleson's most recent action in removing him and other officials of the Commercial Cable Company from directorship of the lines and appointing a committee to control all wire communication, placed the Western Union and Bell Telephone companies interests "in the saddle."

FRED W. LE BALLISTER, appointed city auditor today to succeed I. H. Clay.



CITY WILL SUE TO GET LANDS LOST BY FLUKE

Proceedings are to be taken at once, by order of the city council today, to obtain possession once more of the land involved in the streets closed several months ago for the proposed Hollywood ship yards, and which, it was discovered Saturday by Mayor John L. Davis, had thereby reverted back to the owner of the abutting land, a San Francisco man.

It may be that condemnation proceedings will be necessary to regain control of the land in the streets taken up by the city attorney's office and the street department.

The land is especially valuable, according to Commissioner of Streets Fred Soderberg, in that it is the only outlet to the waterfront between the Livingston-street pier and Peterson street, in the heart of valuable industrial lands.

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PRECAUTIONS TAKEN BY NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

In connection with this the application for closing of streets at the foot of High street to accommodate the plant of the National Lead Company, applying for closings to make a continuous ten-acre industrial site, was passed today with the understanding, at the mayor's suggestion, that a rededication deed be deposited in escrow insuring the return of the land in the streets to the city in case the factory be not built.

Engineer Perry F. Brown added that this would be done.

"I want to call to the attention of the council," said Soderberg, that this Hollywood affair was passed in order to make sure that I became commissioner of public works.

"The streets in question are specially valuable as being the only outlet to the waterfront in a mile between Livingston-street pier and Peterson street. It was giving the land away, practically."

PROCEEDINGS TO BEGIN TO RECOVER LANDS

Commissioner of Finance W. H. Edwards moved that proceedings be taken at once to gain control of this land. This was agreed to without dissent.

Discovery was made by Mayor Davis Saturday that the 33,000 square feet of land involved in the closings passed for the proposed Hollywood plant had under the law reverted to the owners of the adjoining lands when the Hollywood project for a shipyard was given up and the ship contracts held by the company, financed by local capital, were taken to Los Angeles.

There are lawsuits pending in Los Angeles now over the organization there of the company.

"Hereafter, as a matter of protection to the city," said Davis, "I will always insist on rededication agreements of some kind on these street closings. We have made a big joke of the city government in this case and given away valuable land on a silver platter. I blame no one, but now that we know the law, it shan't happen again."

LE BALLISTER IS APPOINTED CITY AUDITOR

Soderberg Loses Fight to Have Edwin Meese Put in the Position, and Calls the Selection Made as "Trade"

Well Known Oakland Realty Man Is Chosen by Council to Succeed I. H. Clay, Recently Elected Co. Assessor

Over strenuous attempts by Commissioner Fred Soderberg, who urged the candidacy of Edwin Meese, former city treasurer, Fred Le Ballister, local realty expert, was today appointed city auditor to replace I. H. Clay, who recently was elected to the office of county assessor.

Le Ballister's appointment was made with the votes of Commissioners L. F. Jackson, Fred Morse and W. H. Edwards. The certainty of Le Ballister winning the race for auditor was forecasted exclusively in THE TRIBUNE of December 5.

Soderberg, after Morse had offered the resolution appointing Le Ballister, urged the consideration once more of the name of Meese. He then moved to lay the matter over until Wednesday. Morse started to object.

"A resolution to lay over is not debatable," said Soderberg. "I am glad someone is paying attention to parliamentary rules," said Commissioner Jackson.

"Someone acted in a parliamentary way," said Edwards. Soderberg's move to lay the matter over lost by the three votes that a moment later carried Le Ballister.

"I move to table it," shouted Soderberg. This was voted down and the resolution called, Soderberg and Mayor Davis ringed no on it.

"This was a trade," said Soderberg. "Edwards traded with Morse to keep Cummings in the city clerk's job."

Le Ballister was born here in 1877. After his graduation from the Oakland high school he entered the service of a hardware jobbing house in San Francisco and later was promoted until he became head of the firm's Spokane house, with the northern territory under his charge.

In 1907 he returned to Oakland and bought out the insurance business of W. A. Donaldson, a former Oakland councilman. He was secretary and later president of the local Association of Insurance Men and also secretary of the State Association of Insurance Men.

Four years ago Le Ballister was a defeated candidate for city commissioner. He is married and has three children. The family home is at 924 East Twelfth street.

Report Big Winter Wheat Crops Sown

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS. LEASED WIRE TO TRIBUNE.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The largest winter wheat crop ever grown in the history of the United States is promised by the enormous acreage sown this fall. The acreage is almost 16 per cent larger than a year's and totals 49,037,000 acres.

The condition of the crop on December 1 was 98.5 per cent of a normal, compared with 79.3 a year ago, 88.7 in 1916 and a five-year average of 88.2.

The area sown to rye is 6,320,000 acres, which is 1.7 per cent more than the revised estimated area sown in the fall of 1917, which was 6,705,000 acres.

The condition of the crop on December 1 was 98.5 per cent of a normal, compared with 84.1 a year ago, 88.8 in 1916 and a ten-year average of 91.4.

Mrs. Wilson Wins Heart of Paris by Graciousness

By MARGARET ROHE, United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS, Dec. 16.—It is an amazing tribute to Mrs. Wilson's personal beauty and gracious charm that she passed triumphantly all the severe and critical tests accorded by the wives of great men, and has been taken with rapturous approval to the warm, throbbing heart of Paris.

A French editor said the smile of the President was the revelation of the day. He could have added that the smile of Mrs. Wilson was the inspiration.

From the moment Madame Poincare presented her with a huge sheaf of orchids at the station, Mrs. Wilson was deluged with floral tributes. Her open carriage, piled high with fragrant, colorful blossoms, resembled that of a carnival queen.

She smiled graciously and inclined her head to the enthusiastic exclamations of the crowd—a waving American beauty in the midst of La France, Marchenat, Jacquenot and other French roses.

Charges that Helen Sweet Artieda, when refused business information by her partner, had circulated the report that he contemplated opening a dive in the Hotel Oaks, and that on this ground Mrs. Artieda had agitated against his proposed transfer of the Hotel Metropole's liquor license to his hostelry, were made today before the city council by Harry Brown, one of the new owners of the Oaks, Fifteenth and Clay streets.

Brown had applied for transfer of the license. A petition by neighbors to prevent the transfer, which was refused, was also presented.

"Mrs. Artieda talked to my partner, Mr. Goldberg," said Brown, "and his answers to her questions were not satisfactory to her; in fact, made her angry. He refused to discuss his business with her. Then she went out and told everyone about the neighborhood that I planned to run a dive and run young girls, and this story, was given credence. She admitted to me later that if she had talked with me first, and not been angry at my partner, she would not have done it. I paid \$10,000 for the Oaks, \$4000 to equip the restaurant, and my investment is too big to allow me to run an undesirable place and get in legal troubles. I assure you."

"It is true that you are going to run a dance," asked Commissioner W. H. Edwards, "and this is a complete restaurant."

Under the Hart ordinance the protest was found sufficient to reject the license transfer, the council having no alternative but this.

Protestants representing the business houses near the hotel in which it was proposed to operate the bar, said that a saloon and cafe in the shopping district and near the employees' entrance of big department stores, might prove a menace to the morals of shop girls, and that the operation of such a place might lower the value of their property. Mrs. Artieda did not discuss Brown's charges.

President to Visit Troops On Christmas

By ROBERT J. BENDER, United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS, Dec. 16.—President Wilson plans to address the doughboys on Christmas.

It was announced today that he will go to American army headquarters December 23. After the address to the army he will spend several days inspecting the devastated regions, returning to Paris on December 29.

Secretary Daniels Gives Commisssions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Before thousands of spectators representing many States of the Union, Secretary of the Navy Daniels today awarded commissions to 430 Marines, who were completing a 10-week course at the Third Officers' training camp, Quantico, Va.

Dutch Get Allies' Notes on Ex-Kaiser

LONDON, Dec. 16.—Seymour notes have been sent to the Dutch government by the allies relative to the presence of the ex-kaiser in Holland, says a central news despatch from Amsterdam.

PRESIDENT WILSON OUTLINES IDEALS OF NATION IN WAR

GREAT STRIKE DECLARED BY BERLIN LABOR

Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Workers Go Out at German Capital; Ebert Is Unable to Check Bolsheviks

Prelude to Counter Revolt Is Feared in Attempted Coup of President of Reichstag; Stormy Scenes in Soviet

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 16.—Poland has severed relations with Germany, according to a telegram received in Berlin from Warsaw.

Poland, as a reason for the rupture, accuses the German authorities in occupied provinces of acting contrary to police interests and working with the Bolsheviks.

At the request of the Polish government, Governor General von Bessler and the entire staff of the German mission will leave the territory of the Polish republic.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 16.—A general strike was called in Berlin today. Advice from the frontier early in the day said that 350,000 workers had gone out and that only two newspapers are published.

The Ebert government was unable to check the Bolshevik propaganda for a general strike.

The attempted coup of President Ebert was quieted as saying that body and the Bundesrat will fall unless it is the prelude to a bigger and more perilous armed struggle.

Stormy scenes were threatened in Berlin today as a result of the labor troubles and the attempt of the congress of Soviets to meet.

Dr. Hugo Haase, an Independent Socialist member of the German Government, was quoted as saying in an interview at Berlin that, as the Ebert regime actually holds the central power, therefore it is entitled to negotiate with the Bolsheviks.

"German foodstuffs," continued Dr. Haase, "are undoubtedly sufficient to last several months, but the extremeists will come into power and there is not the slightest prospect now of a union between the Independent Socialists and the radicals."

NO REAL RESISTANCE

Dr. Haase said that the German government neither desires or is it capable of assuming the war, and the extremeists were wrong in out the revolutionary forces the Germans could not offer any effective armed resistance.

Dr. Haase was demanded for "safeguarding the revolution" immediate disarmament of police officers, riling classes, non-proletarian workers and soldiers' council of all arms, munitions and munition factories, the arming of the adult proletariat, the formation of workers' militia and of red guards, the abolition of officers, removal of military officers from the workers' and soldiers' councils, abolition of all parliaments, election of a central council, cancellation of all state and public debts, including war loans, down to a fixed limit of subsistence.

The confiscation of all fortunes in excess of a certain amount, is also demanded, likewise the appropriation of all landed estates, banks, coal mines and factories.

Non-Partisan Men to Receive New Trials

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Upon the motion of the government, which admitted that convictions in the trial of the German officers, the Supreme Court today set aside the convictions of Emanuel Baltzer, William J. Hood and twenty-six other residents of South Dakota under the espionage act of 1917 and ordered a new trial.

Italy to Stand by Fourteen Points

ROME, Dec. 16.—Italy will remain faithful to President Wilson's principles, Premier Orlando declared in addressing the senate today.

THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH

(By Associated Press)

PARIS, Dec. 16.—President Wilson delivered an address today at the city hall, where ceremonies had been arranged for. The President replied to the greeting extended him. "Your greeting has raised many emotions within me," the President began.

"It is with no ordinary sympathy that the people of the United States, for whom I have the privilege of speaking, have viewed the sufferings of the people of France. Many of our own people have been themselves witnesses of those sufferings. We were the more deeply moved by the wrongs of the war because we knew the manner in which they were perpetrated. I beg that you will not suppose that because a wide ocean separated us in space we were not in effect eye witnesses of the shameful ruin that was wrought and the whole picture of what France and Belgium in particular had experienced."

PRINCIPLES OF RIGHT EFFECTED

"When the United States entered the war, therefore, they entered it not only because they were moved by a conviction that the purposes of the central powers were wrong and must be resisted by men everywhere who loved liberty and the right, but also because the chief nations which they were entertaining and beneficent to realize had led to the practices which shocked our hearts as much as they offended our consciences."

"Our resolution was formed because we knew how profoundly great principles of right were affected, but our hearts moved also with our resolution. You have been exceedingly generous in what you have been gracious enough to say about me, generous far beyond my personal deserts, but you have interpreted with real insight the motives and resolution of the people of the United States. Whatever influence I exercise, whatever authority I speak with, I derive from them. I know what they have thought, I know what they have desired, and when I have spoken what I know was in their minds it has been delightful to see how the consciences and purposes of free men everywhere responded."

"We have merely established our right to the full fellowship of those peoples here and throughout the world who reverence the right of genuine liberty and justice."

"You have made me feel very much at home here, not merely by the delightful warmth of your welcome, but by the manner in which you have made me realize to the utmost the intimate community of thought and ideal which characterizes your people and the great nation which I have the honor for the time to represent."

"I shall always remember as one of the unique and inspiring experiences of my life, and while I feel that you are honoring the people of the United States in my person, I shall nevertheless carry away with me a very keen personal gratification in looking back upon these memorable days."

"Permit me to thank you from a full heart."

REPLY TO WILSON

PARIS, Dec. 16.—In addressing President Wilson at the city hall ceremonies, Ofriani Mithouard, president of the municipal council of Paris, said:

"I have the honor, in the presence of the President of the Republic, to present to you the municipal council of Paris, whose interpreter I am in welcoming the chief of the great nation whose aid, arriving so opportunely, brought us victory and the right man whose conscience fashioned his policy and whose diplomacy was made of loyalty."

"During weary months our soldiers have fought with stoic resolution in defense of the soil of their forebears and the land of their children. So vast was the field of battle, so great was the issue at stake, so bitter and so hard was the struggle, that only after the passage of time did it seem possible that the grandeur of their accomplishment could clearly show."

"Yet your distance from the theater of war has allowed you to see, while yet they lived, the greatness of the monument they were building."

"From the other side of the world you have spoken in advance of the history of the war. What a source of strength was it for these fighters suddenly to hear your voice, in its distant place upon the field of battle, of posterity, that joy to come these new brothers in arms hastening with ardor to claim at the critical hour their place upon the field of battle, what comfort for them to feel that they were henceforth arrayed with the glorious army of General Pershing, the victor of the Argonne!"

WELCOME PAID

Finally, speaking again to President Wilson, M. Mithouard said:

"Mr. President, it is with deep emotion that the capital welcomes today the first President of the United States who crossed the ocean, came to this hall, the cradle of French liberty, will mark in its annals the day on which it was permitted to receive the eminent statesman of the Union, the citizen of the world—here we say the great European—whose voice he heard before the coming of victory, called to life the oppressed among the nations."

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President's Wife Is Presented With Brooch on Behalf of City; Tremendous Throngs in Streets Cheer Executive

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IDEAS ARE EXCHANGED WITH FRENCH PREMIER

Entente Representatives Favor Full Delegation Drawing Up Peace Treaty for Submission to All Ally Belligerents

By ROBERT J. BENDER, United Press Staff Correspondent

PARIS, Dec. 16.—President Wilson motored this morning to Versailles, where the peace treaty will be signed. He briefly inspected the palace and park.

On the way to Versailles the President's car was showered with flowers by children. It began to fall when the party was returning, but no inconvenience was experienced.

Thomas Nelson Page, ambassador to Italy, and Mrs. Page were the Wilsons' guests at luncheon in the palace.

WILSON MADE CITIZEN OF PARIS

President Poincare and his wife, with a cavalry escort, conducted President and Mrs. Wilson to Hotel de Ville, for the official reception. Tremendous throngs cheered them along the route.

Following the ceremonies making Wilson a citizen of Paris, he was presented with a scroll, declaring his citizenship. The President of the council, on behalf of the city, then presented Mrs. Wilson with a brooch composed of an olive branch and laurel leaves, superimposed on which were six white enameled peace doves.

At 3:30 this afternoon the President and Colonel House visited Premier Clemenceau at the foreign office to repay the latter's call and resume the informal conferences.

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy will call on the Murat palace Thursday afternoon.

The President and Premier Clemenceau exchanged ideas on the course of procedure in a conference Tuesday. It is understood the American delegates there in favor of the preliminaries being conducted by Wilson and one representative each from France, Italy and Great Britain.

This body would formulate a series of proposals which would be submitted to open conference of the full delegations of all the entente belligerents for debate, prior to drafting the final treaty.

FAVOR TREATY BY FULL DELEGATION

Some of the entente representatives, it is believed, favor having the full delegation of America, Great Britain, France and Italy, and one representative of Japan draw up the treaty and submit it to the other entente belligerents for signature.

It is understood that the question of the voting powers of the respective nations will be one of the problems for which no definite plan has yet been developed.

Wilson is continuing to work hard between festivities. A private direct telephone line connects his room with Colonel House's room. In which House, Clemenceau, Henry White and Horher Hoover participated, arrangements were made for the fullest publicity throughout the world, concerning America's position.

The conviction is growing that public opinion is swinging more and more into line behind American views. This conviction is borne out by press comment here and reports from other allied and neutral countries.

At 2:30 this afternoon President Wilson will be officially received at

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SPANISH INFLUENZA---JUST GRIP CAMOUFLAGED UNDER A NEW NAME

Most Authorities Now Agree That This Disease Is Simply the Old-Fashioned Grip, the Same That Has Swept Over the World Times Without Number. Since 1831 the United States Has Had Five Epidemics.

The Last Epidemic in 1889-90 Came From Russia by Way of France and Was Given a French Name, La Grippe. This Time It Comes by Way of Spain.

ORIGIN OF THE DISEASE.

Spanish Influenza, which appeared in Spain in May, has swept over the world in numerous epidemics as far back as history runs. Hippocrates refers to an epidemic in 412 B. C., which is regarded by many to have been influenza. Every century has had its attacks. Beginning with 1831, this country has had five epidemics, the last in 1889-90.

THE SYMPTOMS.

Grip, or influenza as it is now called, usually begins with a chill followed by aching, feverishness and sometimes nausea and dizziness and a general feeling of weakness and depression. The temperature is from 100 to 104, and the fever usually lasts from three to five days. The germs attack the mucous membrane, or lining of the air passages--nose, throat and bronchial tubes--there is usually a hard cough, especially bad at night, often times a sore throat or tonsillitis, and frequently all the appearances of a severe head cold.

THE TREATMENT.

Go to bed at the first symptoms--take a purgative, eat plenty of nourishing food, remain perfectly quiet and don't worry. Nature herself is the only "cure" for influenza and will throw off the attack if only you conserve your strength. A little Quinine, Aspirin or Dover's Powder may be given by the physician's direction to allay the aching. Always call a doctor, since the chief danger of grip is in its weakening effect on the system, which allows complications to develop. There are chiefly pneumonia and bronchitis, sometimes inflammation of the middle ear, or heart affections. For these reasons, it is very important that the patient remain in bed until his strength returns--stay in bed at least two days or more after the fever has left you, or if you are over 50 or not strong, stay in bed four days or more, according to the severity of the attack.

EXTERNAL APPLICATIONS.

In order to stimulate the lining of the air passages to throw off the grip

germs, to aid in loosening the phlegm and keeping the air passages open, thus making the breathing easier, Vick's VapoRub will be found effective. Hot, wet towels should be applied over the throat, chest and back between the shoulder blades to open the pores. Then VapoRub should be rubbed in over the parts until the skin is red, spread on thickly and covered with two thicknesses of hot flannel cloths. Leave the clothing loose around the neck as the heat of the body liberates the ingredients in the form of vapors. These vapors, inhaled with each breath, carry the medication directly to the parts affected. At the same time, VapoRub is absorbed through and stimulates the skin, attracting the blood to the surface, and thus aids in relieving the congestion within.

NO OCCASION FOR PANIC.

There is no occasion for panic--influenza or grip has a very low percentage of fatalities--not over one death out of every four hundred cases, according to the N. C. board of health. The chief danger lies in complications arising, cutting deeply into patients in a run down condition--those who don't go to bed soon enough, or those who get up too early.

HOW TO AVOID THE DISEASE.

Evidence seems to prove that this is a germ disease, spread principally by human contact, chiefly through coughing, sneezing or spitting. So avoid persons having colds--with means avoiding crowds--common drinking cups, roller towels, etc. Keep up your bodily strength by plenty of exercise in the open air, and good food. KEEP FREE FROM COLDS. Above all, avoid colds, as colds irritate the lining of the air passages and render them much better breeding places for the germs. Use Vick's VapoRub at the very first sign of a cold. For a head cold, melt a little VapoRub in a spoon and inhale the vapors, or better still, use VapoRub in a benzoin steam kettle. If this is not available, use an ordinary steam kettle. Fill half-full of boiling water, put in a teaspoon of VapoRub from time to time--keep the kettle just slowly boiling and inhale the steam arising.

NOTE--Vick's VapoRub is the discovery of a North Carolina druggist, who found how to combine, in salve form, menthol and eucalyptus with such volatile oils as Eucalyptus, Thyme, Citronella, etc., so that when the salve is applied to the body heat, these ingredients are liberated in the form of vapors. VapoRub can be had in three sizes at all drug stores. While comparatively new in certain parts of the North, it has been standard home remedy in the South and West for all forms of cold troubles for over six million years were sold last year. VapoRub is particularly recommended for the child's croup or colds, as it is externally applied and does not, therefore, be used freely and often without the slightest harmful effects.

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U. S. TO BOOST PACIFIC TRADE AND SHIPPING

It is because of the importance of the Pacific coast district in maritime and general commercial affairs that a branch of the United States Shipping Board was established in the San Francisco bay section, states the second annual report of the shipping board to Congress, made public today.

The local branch serves as the supervising office for the entire Pacific coast region and reproduces the organization of the division of operations of the shipping board headquarters at Washington. An especial duty of the branch here is to look after the interests of the United States in its trade relations with the Orient and Australia.

The ramifications of this trade are many and extensive. Copra in heavy tonnage is imported from the South Seas and unloaded at Eastbay wharves and elsewhere on San Francisco bay for transportation inland by rail. Coconut oil is imported from Java and unloaded on Oakland's western waterfront for reshipment to interior points via railroad; here for like destinations wheat and other Australian products are handled similarly, as are also cargoes of silks, spices and other goods from the Orient.

TO SAVE EASTERN TRADE.

As most of this trade is dependent carried in foreign bottoms, it is particularly desirable to safeguard the Philippine and Hawaiian trade against discrimination or neglect, states the report. This problem was made more difficult by the diversion of many large vessels formerly engaged in this trade to the Atlantic coast for military purposes. The report explains that the Hawaiian sugar crop was eventually handled by pressing fishing and coastwise vessels into service. A special mention is made of vessels of this character secured from the Alaska Packing Company, which has its fleet utilizing these ships to handle the sugar crop they were released from the owner in time for the April-September fishing season.

After a momentary halt in the completion of the great merchant marine construction program as it stands with certain modifications to meet the coming year of peace, the report tells how additions to the enormous fleet operated by our government were secured to offset the toll of German warships, by taking over interned tonnage and by purchasing and chartering of seized German and Austrian ships held by Cuba, China, Siam, Brazil, Uruguay and Peru. The cost of approximately \$11,124,822.70 is given.

WOODEN SHIPS FAVORED.

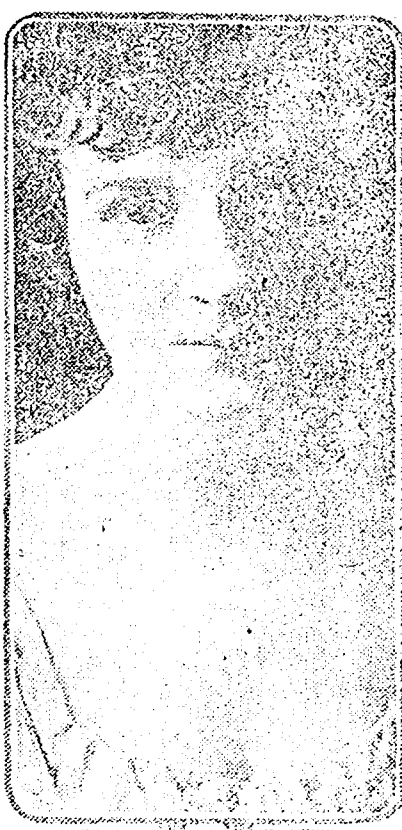
The report leaves open for future conference the question of a permanent merchant marine program, but goes extensively into the subject of wooden ships for Pacific ocean trade and into the realization of vessels on the Pacific. Steel steamers are used only when a long steaming radius is necessary, says the report, and these vessels are being rapidly replaced by wooden ships built on this coast, for the Emergency Fleet Corporation. The largest steel cargo carriers, built in Eastbay and other Pacific coast shipyards, are for the most part transferred to the American fleet for military and post-war needs in Europe. The document recommends the construction of wooden ships of greater tonnage for trade with the Orient via the Pacific ocean routes, and particularly favors a 5000-ton, flush-deck ship instead of the 3500-ton type now in service here.

Concrete ship construction, such as is now under way on Government island in the estuary, has been limited, the report states, because of the present hull-producing capacity of the country in steel and wooden hulls is in excess of the production capacity of marine engine makers. Contracts have, however, been signed for thirty-eight concrete tankers and cargo ships of 7500 tons, three cargo ships of 1500 tons and one cargo ship of 3000 tons. The largest stone ships are to be constructed at the Government island yard.

Oakland Vice Case Opened Across Bay

The trial of John Kolich, 1541 Seventh street, Oakland, charged in two federal informations with being the keeper of a house of ill fame at that address, was begun before Federal Judge M. T. Donnell in San Francisco this afternoon. According to Special War Attorney James E. Colston, Kolich introduced Theresa Diebold and Agnes Miller into the house for the purpose of procuring the ten-mile zone social evil proclamation.

MISS EMMONS, HEAD OF MOTOR CORPS, DEPARTS FOR FRANCE



MISS GLADYS EMMONS

Young Woman Will Join Y.M.C.A. Forces

Miss Gladys Emmons, head of the Red Cross Motor Corps of Alameda and member of the San Francisco corps, left this morning en route to France, for overseas service under the Y. M. C. A. Miss Emmons was one of a group of young women prominent in war work in the bay section who left today. They were: Miss Edith White, captain of the San Francisco Motor Corps, and Miss Sophronia Hunter, major of the Motor Corps of the State of California. Both were former residents of this city.

Miss Emmons is one of the most indefatigable war workers on both sides of the bay as well as a gifted reader, which will fit her for additional service in the convalescent hospitals should she be called upon for this branch of the work. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Emmons of Union street.

Miss Hunter is a sister of Mrs. Bert Scott of this city. Miss Emmons is first signed for service in the Red Cross, but when plans were delayed in assembling the workers Miss Emmons accepted the call of the Y. M. C. A.

"BLUE BIRD" BUREAU OF THE TRIBUNE

Happiness, Children and Christmas! Christmas belongs to the children and to those who know how to play, and Good Fellows are the helpers. Maybe they furnish toys, maybe a Christmas dinner or maybe warm clothes, if it cheers the heart of a child, well that is enough. This letter is from a little girl, and she asks for more things than

the average good fellow could possibly buy, for so many of the Good Fellows go without themselves that they might give.

"My dear Blue Bird, I am a little girl of 7 years old & thought I would tell you that Christmas is coming and my mama says that Santa Claus is not going to come to make his house because my papa is sick so could you tell Santa Claus that I want a big jointed sleigh with long ears and a set of dishes I want a basket buggy for it but it is hard to get. I have 2 brothers and a baby sister my brothers want a train each with cars and a baby sister a baby buggy and a teddy bear, my little brother wants a kite but I told him Santa Claus can not get it.

GOOD FELLOWS!

Here's a Form for You to Fill Out--It Will Aid You in Stating Your Plans for Making Your Christmas a Happy One.

If you will be a Good Fellow on Christmas to some family of needy children in Oakland, fill out the attached blank and send it to "The TRIBUNE," Blue Bird Department:

I live at No. street.
I will be Santa Claus to children
(as many as you wish). Please give me the names of children in (State what section of city you prefer to have assigned to you.)
(Sign your name and give phone number)

War Service League Winding Up Affairs

Oakland War Service League, following the precedent set by Federal and State war organizations has arranged to close its headquarters and move to the new building at 312 Central Bank building during the routine of ending the war task. The executive board has appointed Morris N. Schneider, Dr. L. F. Horrick, Judge Harry Parker, Fred S. Hughes, Mrs. E. C. Rathbun and Harmon Bell a special committee on finance.

MISSIONARY TO BE AD CLUB SPEAKER

Mrs. R. S. M. Emrich of Berkeley, who sails from New York January 1 on the U. S. transport which the government is placing at the disposal of the American committee for relief in the near East, will speak tomorrow at noon before the members of the Oakland Ad Club and their guests at Hotel Oakland. The luncheon will honor the Red Cross society, on whose behalf Mrs. Emrich will speak. There will be no solicitation of funds and no appeal for membership urged. K. L. Hanman, president of the Ad Club, will open the program, and turn over the session to the chairman of the Oakland chapter, American Red Cross.

Mrs. Emrich and her family lived for ten years in a village in the interior of Mesopotamia and vicinity of the world war, when they returned to the United States after harrowing experiences. Early this year Mrs. Emrich made an intensive tour of the war countries under the Young Men's Christian Association, returning with a vivid story.

Heavy Damage Done By Honolulu Storm

More than \$500,000 damage was done in Honolulu and vicinity by one of the severest storms on record which swept over the islands recently, according to reports received here today. The extent of the damage was done to shipping. The steamer Blythedale, owned by the Shipping Board, was 750 miles from Honolulu when the storm hit and the vessel's rudder was swept away. A jury rudder was rigged and the Blythedale started back to Honolulu, according to a wireless report to the United States coast guard. It was 150 miles from port when great waves swept its decks clean.

ALL OUR THOUGHTS

The Xmas Store for Savings. An absolute Truth

Whitthorne & Swan SUCCESSORS TO Yales OAKLAND STORE

OAKLAND'S STORE THAT UNDERSELLS

AND PREPARATIONS

have turned toward Christmas. An immense amount of shopping must be done in the next seven days. An endless stream of new merchandise, all suggesting the holiday spirit, has been pouring in. The prices asked will prove to you without further argument that we CAN and DO sell good, clean, staple merchandise cheaper than any other store in Oakland.

EXTRA SPECIAL SILK WAIST SALE

\$5.95 Beautiful Silk Waists, made of extra good quality Georgette crepe, in all the new shades; hand-embroidered, beaded and silk braided models; many handsome styles to choose from. Blouses that we value at \$7.50. Special

\$5.95

CLOVES

For Xmas Gifts

WOMEN'S WHITE GLACE CLOVES, full pique seam, embroidered heavily with white; \$2.25 value. Special

\$1.69

WOMEN'S CAPE CLOVES--colored washable piques; tan and grey, with fancy embroidery; \$2.50 value--

\$1.89

WOMEN'S WHITE GLACE CLOVES, with heavy white embroidery; regular \$1.65 value. Special--

\$1.39

Suggestions for Xmas Gifts at Special Prices

FANCY DRAPE VEILS--pretty meshes with deep chiffon cloth border; \$1.50 and \$1.75 vals. Special, each

\$1.49

NECKWEAR--Fine organdie collars, trimmed with pretty laces, flat and slightly rolling shapes and tuxedo style

\$1 values, special

59c

COLLARS of fine net, hem-stitched, tucked and lace trimmed; \$1 values--

Special

59c

INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS--fine shawrock finish with old English letter; hem-stitched

3 in a box

35c

\$3.95 BEAUTIFUL SILK PETTICOATS \$3.95

Plain and changeable silks, deep ruffle and pleated flounces, all taffeta or jersey tops; sold elsewhere for \$4.95. Our special price.

6--HOT ONES--6

FOR EARLY MORNING SHOPPERS

PRICED SO LOW THAT THEY WILL HARDLY LAST AN HOUR

20 DOZEN BLEACHED SHEETS, heavy quality, linen finish; no seams; size 81x90; regular \$1.69 value

\$1.19

(Limit six to a customer)

CORDUROY FOR COATS and SKIRTS, 34 ins. wide; extra weight; worth \$2.00 yard, special,

\$1.00

\$1.00 SILK HOSE, heavy quality, Fibre Silk, black only, made with reinforced foot and garter top; in Xmas boxes; special,

69c

MEN'S E. & W. SOFT COLLARS, several styles; 25c values, 2 for

15c

SPECIAL, fine sheer mercerized Lawn Handkerchiefs--hemstitched--

dozen

50c

BOYS' SHIRTS, small sizes, cream color, trimmed in blue or lavender; reg. 50c values; special,

each

15c

Art Dept. Specials

Many Kinds of Pottery Novelties and Sweet Grass Baskets at 1-2 PRICE.

Knitted Slippers at .97c and \$1.45 pair

Tapestry Pillows at \$3.98

Christmas Post Cards, 3 for 5c

Christmas Post Cards at .4c and 8c each

Pictures at .39c and 69c each

Ribbonzenc for tying Xmas packages--

8 yards for

5c

Savings of almost 2-3 on Art Models.

Silk and Cretonne Novelties Underpriced.

Savings on Tapestry Scarfs.

Savings on Centerpieces, Dolls and Scarfs.

Art. Dept. on 3rd Floor

Navy Blue Dress Goods

UNDERPRICED FOR XMAS GIFTS.

38-in. Heavy Gabardine, \$1 value, yd. 69c

36-in. Storm Serge, \$1.25 value, yd. \$1.00

36-in. French Serge, \$1.25 value, yard 85c

36-in. Storm Serge, all wool; \$1.50 value--

yard

\$1.25

44-in. Storm Serge, all wool; \$2.00 value--

yard

\$1.50

44-in. French Serge, all wool; \$2.50 value--

yard

\$2.00

48-in. Eplinge, all wool; \$3 val. yd. \$2.25

52-in. Broadcloth, all wool; \$4.00 value--

yard

\$3.00

\$3.95 Over 600 Bath Robes for Women \$3.95

Heavy quality in medium and dark patterns, plaids and figures. In Christmas boxes; sizes 36 to 46--Special

Big Savings on Ribbons

Baby Ribbon, All Colors. Priced at--

18c, 21c, 32c and 41c for 10-yd. bolt.

FLORAL RIBBON, at 15c, 20c, 33c, 50c and 95c per yard.

BROCADED RIBBONS, at 43c and 65c per yard.

HAIR BOW RIBBONS, at 25c, 35c and 45c yard.

HAIR BOW FASTENERS at .4c each

ALL RIBBON BOWS TIED FREE.

All Toys in Basement.

All TOYS Underpriced

Wagons, Coasters, Autos, Velocipedes, Tricycles, Pianos, Tool Chests, Dolls, Dishes, Tinker Toys, Drums, Books, Doll Buggies, Blocks, Christmas Ornaments, Etc., Etc.

WOMEN'S OUT-SIZE PURE SILK HOSE, made with full-fashioned lisle foot and seamless lisle garter top; very elastic; black, white and colors--

Special--

\$1.75

per pair

39c

WOMEN'S SILK Lisle HOSE, light weight silk lisle with reinforced sole, heel and toe; elastic garter top; black, white and a good line of all the new shades; regular 50c value. Special--

\$1.75

per pair

39c

SILK CAMISOLES, made of pink crepe de chine or wash satin, embroidered, hem-stitched and lace trimmed yokes. Specially priced at

\$1, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.95 and \$2.45 each.

STAPLE DOMESTICS ALWAYS UNDERPRICED

NEW ROBE BLANKETS, pretty patterns, heavy quality; size 72x90; has cords and frog trimmings to

\$3.98

match, set

FINE SATINE COMFORTS, large double bed size, pure white filling; plain and colored borders--

\$6.50

BATH ROBE FLANNEL, new patterns, heavy quality, special, yard.

59c

FANCY SCALLOPED TABLE CLOTHS, pretty patterns, colored borders; size 64x90; our

\$3.35

SATIN BED SETS, large double bed spread, with bolster to match, set

\$7.85

FINE WHITE BLANKETS for XMAS PRESENTS, double bed size, colored borders

\$7.50, \$7.89, \$8.00, \$8.75, \$9 and \$9.50 pair

WHITTHORNE & SWAN--Washington St. at 11th

RED CROSS ROLL CALL BRINGS FORTH GENEROUS RESPONSE

BIG DOLLAR PARADE WILL BE HELD HERE

American Red Cross forces are sweeping the city today. Oakland will easily "go over the top." Every man and woman who has sent one of what the American Red Cross has done since the days when war began is eager to bring their dollar and wear the 1919 membership pin. The only difficulty that the local chapters will be up against will be the lack of time in enrolling the hundreds and thousands who will flock to the standard of the Christmas Roll Call, whose days are limited to this week.

ALL LINED UP FOR DOLLAR PARADE

All Oakland, Berkeley, Alameda and the eastern end of the county is lined up in a long dollar parade to show appreciation of the services of the American Red Cross. In the downtown sections tables have been placed, presided over by women in distinctive dress who have been kept busy making out the membership receipts and counting the silver dollars which have rolled upon their counters. Today has shown that the city is considering the enrollment an opportunity and not a duty which they must be dragged to.

In the resident districts the sixty-eight auxiliaries with their big membership have undertaken to call from door to door to present the appeal of the American Red Cross. This will mean that housewives who cannot get down into the busy centers will not be omitted from the Oakland roll of honor. Auxiliary chairmen are captaining the teams, naming as many aides as are needed to fully cover the communities.

The men's committee, to which has been appointed the work of visiting the business houses, are going steadily toward victory. Because the public believes in the campaign which is before it the Christmas Red Cross Roll Call will be the easiest drive which the end of the war has given.

OAKLAND'S QUOTA IS 150,000 MEMBERS.
Oakland's quota is 150,000 members. Oakland will go splendidly beyond that if today's record is maintained. Nothing more than one dollar is asked from any one adult. One-half this sum is retained in the local chapter for the carrying on of its individual task.

It is pointed out that although the

A corps of prominent women are pushing the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call "over the top," setting up a magnificent record today which they will strive to maintain during the entire week. From left to right they are: MISS MARGARET LEACH, MRS. GLENN BARNHART, MRS. FRED HALL, MRS. W. A. HOUTS, MRS. B. L. SMOUT, MRS. CAL BROUGH, MRS. J. F. HUNT, MRS. FRANK AVERY.



war has ended, the work of the Red Cross must go on indefinitely until the last American soldier is returned to home soil. The organization for peace must be even more efficient than the great organization during the war.

A red-pointed cap and brassard distinguish the corps of Oakland women who are taking membership subscriptions. Each donor is entitled to a 1919 pin and a membership card in Oakland Chapter.

A list of the 100 per cent firms will be printed tomorrow.

A. B. Simpson, Son of Newspaper Man, Dies

Ashleigh Brown Simpson, son of Ernest S. Simpson, formerly newspaper publisher in San Francisco, now residing in Chicago, died this morning in Oakland Central hospital, a victim of Spanish influenza, followed by pneumonia. Simpson leaves a widow, Mrs. Gertrude Simpson, and a little daughter, Frances Marie Simpson. He was 28 years old. Since the beginning of the war Simpson has been employed at Mare Island.

Auto Stops; Cycle Keeps Going; Crash!

When the automobile owned by Laura Mauser, 1911 Thirty-fourth avenue, stopped abruptly at Thirty-fourth avenue and East Fourteenth street last night, Frank Meuchise, 1024 Twenty-sixth avenue, riding behind on a motorcycle, kept right on going. The result was a wrecked motorcycle, a few minor bruises and a trip to the Emergency Hospital for Meuchise. Today Meuchise is as good as new. The motorcycle is in need of reconstruction.

County Hospital Patients Are to Be Cheered Holiday Will Be Made a Merry One

In the County Infirmary and Arroyo Sanitarium there are 370 men, women and children who will only know it is Christmas because the county hospitals Christmas tree committee and the citizens of the county will play Santa Claus to them in their public home. With a real tree laden with gifts, with song and merrymaking, this corps of men and women who make up the personnel of the Christmas tree committee have planned that each individual guest at the holiday party shall receive some useful present—a pair of slippers, a warm shawl, woolen hose, a razor, suspenders, knives, pipes, tobacco or whatever it is they most need and covet, besides a generous supply of fruit and candy.

Mrs. Norman de Vaux and a busy sub-committee of men and women have visited the 370 inmates of the two institutions personally and discovered what each desire each has. It will be supplied if the people of Alameda county will assist the committee by sending in a check large or small to the treasurer of the committee, E. F. Garrison, county auditor.

Fifteen hundred dollars will be required to cover the expenses of the party at Arroyo Sanitarium on Thursday night, and at the County Infirmary on Christmas morning. This is not too great a sum if every-

body will add a little for the great happiness of those who have so little. Those who have contributed up to date to the Christmas fund for the county hospitals are:

Balance from last year \$200.00
Chevrolet Motor Co. of Calif.

Madge Kennedy delights
American audiences by
her splendid portrayal of
delightful role in "A Per-
fect Lady."



Madge Kennedy, the premier screen comedienne, commenced a three days engagement at the American Theater yesterday in her latest and greatest success, "A Perfect Lady." In this laughable play the adorable Madge assumes the role of a burlesque queen and gives a remarkable portrayal of the most interesting and amusing character.

Virginia Pearson and Marc MacDermott appear on the same program in "Buchanan's Wife," a powerful melodrama. A Pathé News Weekly is also shown.—Advertisement.

Jornia	100.00
Judge T. W. Harris	1.00
J. C. Ady	10.00
Dodge-Sweeney Co.	5.00
Western Casket Co.	5.00
Dr. J. Loran Pease	2.50
Louis Aber	1.50
Mr. and Mrs. Hem	5.00
Win. Horst	1.00
J. J. Elliott	1.00
California Cracker Co.	5.00
And boxes of cakes	
A. J. Anderson	1.00
H. W. Emerson, M. D.	5.00
Berkeley Gazette	5.00
Berkeley Company	3.00
P. P. Cutting	25.00
J. D. Ryan, Livermore	1.00
J. J. Ramis	5.00
Edgar H. Barber Co.	5.00
D. E. Perkins	5.00
Oakland Tribune	25.00
West Berkeley Macaroni Co.	5.00
H. K. Sorenson	3.00
P. L. Holzman	5.00
Taft & Penney	5.00
William H. Barry	10.00
H. K. Sorenson	5.00
Thos. W. Corder	10.00
Jackson Furniture Co.	10.00
Anderson Carpet House	5.00
Edw. Dillon, Livermore	2.50
S. A. Berg	2.00
Heathon Pharmacy	5.00
E. A. Vanderventer	2.00
Total	\$473.50

NEGROES ROB WOMAN.
Mrs. H. Figueroa, 1035 Pine street, reported to the police today that she was held up and robbed by two negroes last night near her home.

New Revelations of a Wife starts soon in The TRIBUNE.

DANCE AT MAPLE HALL TO-NIGHT. Hear Royer's Maple Orchestra.—Advertisement.

AUTO BANDITS JAILED AFTER NIGHT CHASE

Arthur H. Payson, Herbert Hamilton French and James E. Duncan, three bandits who last night held up and robbed Miss Anna Nelson, a domestic employed at 108 Euclid avenue, are today in custody and have made a full confession of the crime to Inspector J. H. Robinson.

The crime, which was committed late last night, was followed by one of the most sensational automobile chases by the police in the local annals. A neighbor, who saw the hold-up committed, telephoned the police headquarters and Inspectors John Gannaw and Thomas Wood went to the scene of the crime in a police automobile.

When the officers approached the point where the crime was reported from they saw a big machine start in the other direction and at once gave chase. The robbers drove down Excelsior avenue to the lake, thence to Webster street, turning east on Thirteenth street to Jackson. The car, which was going at a pace of sixty miles an hour, turned on Second street and thence to edge of the marshes, where it was abandoned.

HAT IS CLEW.
Duncan's hat was lost as the car sped onward and he jumped out as observed by the officers to get it, but in the meantime the hat had been picked up and was found to bear the man's initials. This gave a clew to work on. Later Duncan, who has a police record for stealing automobiles and three later telephoned the police that his car had been stolen. Corporal Smith invited him to come to the station and describe the car, which he did. He was at once arrested and placed on detinue.

When Inspector J. H. Robinson took up the case this morning he at once recognized Duncan as an old offender and at once secured from him a full confession as to the crime. In the meantime it was learned that French and Payson, his accomplices, were to be witnesses in the Superior Court this morning and Inspector Robinson and Timothy Flynn at once got on the trail of the men wanted. They were arrested as they left the courtroom and when questioned by the officers made a full confession of the crime.

According to Duncan's story at about 7 o'clock last night, he was driving his machine on Broadway, near Twelfth street, when he saw Payson and French and invited them to take a ride. They drove around town for a while when finally Payson suggested that he knew how some easy money could be made by following a street car and waiting for some one to get off and then hold them up.

TRAIL GRAND AVENUE CAR.
This suggestion was followed and they trailed a Grand avenue car to its terminus, but no one got off. They looked like real money, so they were about to return to the city when they spied Miss Nelson coming along. Payson and French are said to have left the car and grabbed the woman, who at once raised an outcry which attracted the attention of a neighbor, who phoned the police. The woman, who is a domestic, had but a few dollars on her person, which the robbers took and were just about to get away when the police machine hove into view. They followed an exciting chase which ended in the lonely Alameda marshes.

According to Inspector Robinson all the men have previous police records, having been arrested about a year and a half ago for stealing automobiles and tires. They will appear in court tomorrow for a preliminary hearing on a charge of highway robbery.

DANCE AT MAPLE HALL TO-NIGHT. Hear Royer's Maple Orchestra.—Advertisement.

U. S. Lifts "Gas" Regulations; No Price Difference

Gasoline prices will probably not be affected by the government announcement of a further modification of its oil control, according to statements made today by officials of the Standard Oil and Associated Oil Companies and by David M. Folsom, Pacific Coast oil director of the fuel administration, whose resignation becomes effective Jan. 1.

Inquiries to the oil companies revealed that no advices had been received to change the present price and Folsom made a statement that the present market was so stable that a revision either upward or downward was improbable within the next six months. The order as issued stated:

"The government has announced it will suspend its voluntary plan to stabilize prices of crude oil and its refined products."

The general effect of the order would have been to open the prices of oil products, including gasoline, to competition under the law of supply and demand.

TRAINING IN ARMY WILL BE CONTINUED

Physical training given by Uncle Sam to make his soldiers victors in the world war will be extended to the youth of the West, according to plans being made today at the opening of a four-day conference of M. C. A. physical educators of seven states being held at the Hotel Claremont, Berkeley.

Called together for the express purpose of meeting after-the-war problems of keeping the youth of the nation as physically fit in times of peace as in days of war, several hundred physical directors have been summoned to today's conference from the states of California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Idaho, New Mexico and Arizona. All of the delegates are civilian workers and all will deal with the express problem of how best to reap the benefits of army training in civilian life. "It is for the future welfare of the youth of this country that this conference has been called," declared Dr. George F. Fisher, international head of all Y. M. C. A. physical directors, who is presiding at the meeting. "To allow the wonderful work which has been done in physical education by the army to go to waste would be criminal. It is our aim to carry this generally into civilian life and to incorporate the same program as that adopted by the army officials into our future training of the young. That the physical education program of the American army is excelled by none is shown in what our boys have done in France."

THEFT TAKES BAG OF PENNIES.
A petty thief with a penchant for small change entered the store of Theodore Buchner, 3209 East Fourth street, last night and stole a bag of pennies. The exact amount of the theft could not be determined.

ROGERS QUILTS AS HEAD OF SANITARIUM

On the recommendation of the County Institutions Commission, the Board of Supervisors this morning accepted the resignation of Dr. G. Rogers, acting head of Arroyo Sanitarium.

Dr. Rogers has been in charge of the sanitarium since the departure of Dr. R. J. Carey, who entered the military service. November 1. Prior to that time Dr. Rogers was house physician at the institution under Dr. Carey.

It is intimated that difficulties in regard to the management of the institution developed between Dr. Rogers and the Institutions Commission and that his resignation was requested.

The supervisors today held an executive session with members of the Institutions Commission and Dr. Rogers, at which the resignation was accepted.

The resignation takes effect January 1, until which time Dr. Rogers will be relieved of considerable executive responsibility.

Dr. Rogers, for six years in charge of Bear's sanitarium at Colfax, is being considered as Dr. Rogers' successor.

CARRIES ALARM CLOCK ON WALK; POLICE NAB HIM

Hugging an alarm clock to his bosom while strolling along at Fruitvale avenue and East Fourteenth street, Patrick G. Dale attracted the attention of Patrolman G. Hendrix last night. Attention grew into suspicion, and Dale was arrested. How the alarm clock figures as a feature in an evening sampler will have to be explained by Dale.

Burglars Get \$400 in Berkeley Homes

Two Berkeley homes were visited last night by burglars and lost valued contents. At the home of W. Heinrich, 1818 Virginia street, \$350 in jewelry and other valuables were taken. Heinrich returned home late in the evening and declared that he heard someone in the house being made today at the opening of a four-day conference of M. C. A. physical educators of seven states being held at the Hotel Claremont, Berkeley.

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SYLVIA SCARLET, by Compton Mackenzie—\$1.60.
Hundreds of other new titles.

Miscellaneous Gift Books

ALSACE AND LORRAINE, by George Wharton Edwards, illustrated in colors, \$6.00.
MAKING LIFE WORTH WHILE, by Douglas Fairbanks—\$2.00.
RHYMES OF THE RED CROSS MAN, by Service—\$2.00 and \$2.50.
AMERICAN ADVENTURES, by Julian Street—\$2.00.
GEOLOGY, by Arthur Dwyerhouse—\$2.00.

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Fine Writing Paper, Correspondence Cards and Gift Cabinets containing Cards, Paper and Envelopes—all kinds of plain and tinted stationery for practical and beautiful gifts, among them some remarkable special values in packed gift boxes at \$1.00 and \$1.50. Other gift boxes, some covered with leather or satin, up to \$12.50.

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A gift that will be received with great joy by man or woman. Artistic sets of many kinds here, including handsome patent leather, silver or gold-plated. Prices range from—\$3.75 to \$35.

Other Gifts

Art Pottery Vases and Bowls.
Khaki Writing Cases—\$1.00 and up.
Leather Writing Cases—\$2.50 and up.
Inkstands—75c and up.
Brass Desk Calendars—25c to \$5.00.
Copper and Silver Desk Calendars—25c to \$5.75.
Paper Cutters—35c to \$1.50.
Pen Trays—60c to \$2.50.
Book Holders and Book Ends—\$1.50 to \$10.

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from 6:30 till closing time to the delightful music of our Jazz Orchestra.

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of a high character rendered during the dinner hour and all evening.

THERE ARE A FEW TABLES LEFT FOR
New Year's Eve
(Telephone Oakland 1826 For Reservation)

CROCKETT WINS BRINGSIDE SIDELIGHTS



Jack Dempsey and Carl Morris are scheduled to step twenty rounds at New Orleans tonight, but there is not a chance of the fight going the limit. It will last as long as Dempsey wants it to and no longer. Morris never was much of a fighter and his sole claim to fame is that he was the original "white hope." Some sports down in Oklahoma dragged Carl off a locomotive and made a bum fighter out of a good engineer. He was being groomed to whip Jack Johnson, but a flock of second-rate white heavies came along and hammered Carl to a fare-you-well. Jack Kearns, Dempsey's manager, claims that Jack is to get \$4000 with the privilege of 40 per cent of the gross receipts, which is nice pickings for the pair from the west.

Then though the crusher attorney had not put the dust on the Langford-Pullen fight it is almost certain that the same thing would have happened to the match. Mike Collins has a contract on Pullen which does not expire until 1921 and it is a cinch that Mike would have taken action had Pullen been here. Mike's manager, Joe McCloskey, Pullen admits that Mike is his legal manager and has offered him \$1000 to tear up the contract, but Collins insists on maintaining a hold on the heavyweights. Pullen at all the benefit shows at which the lanky player appears, but in the ring there is some doubt in sight, which Mike Collins gets busy.

Jack Russell, who manages Salinas Jack Robinson and a flock of misbegotten sports, wants to see his middleweight against Battling Oriega. When the black and white fight blew up the night before, Robinson called up to say he would be willing to let Robinson box the Mexican market. Robinson, who is supposed to be a heavyweight, but Oriega is too busy getting accustomed to his new manager to fight at night. Robinson was supposed to box Oriega at the recent benefit show, but Manager Russell went on and a heavyweight, instead. Now that there is a medal in sight, Robinson is anxious to get the match but there is no chance of Salinas Jack breaking in on this week's card.

Joe White, who meets Jimmy Marshall, Wednesday night, is a better bet than the other two. Managers give him credit for being. Despite his punning style he has whipped some of the best of his weight around here and he would whip a lot of others if the promoters would give him matches. White knocked out Battling Viera in the Emmerling ring a few months ago, but still the promoters do not see him as a main-event. Should Joe win decisively from Marshall his manager, L. A. Parente, will go after the top-notchers and he will be entitled to recognition.

Parente, by the way, still has the promotional bug buzzing in his bonnet. He has been looking for a link link have decided a fight on Joe and his fighters, at the old Emmerling ring, and he is anxious to secure a suitable place to stage fights and then give the Allies a good show. Parente is a promoter and a game guy. He has a chance of raising four rounds of the Emmerling ring, and he has a chance of doing well while the weather was favorable. If he can secure a place on the right side of a building he will stage some good shows across the bay.

"Kid" Leonard, the gentleman who tipped over Fred Murphy, the Olympic club champion, a week ago, landed his opponent in the service men's tournament at Dreamland Saturday night and held him for a long time. The military men wanted Brodie to take one but Herb replied that he was not a soldier. Brodie, who is a prize fighter, has a reputation for being a tough guy. He has a reputation for being a tough guy. He has a reputation for being a tough guy.

Salinas Jack Robinson (N. P. G.) knocked out Salter Allen (Mare Island), second round. Salter Allen (Mare Island) was knocked out by Salter Allen (Mare Island), second round. Salter Allen (Mare Island) was knocked out by Salter Allen (Mare Island), second round.

"Home Run" Baker Declares He Will Not Cavort Again
BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 15.—Word was received here today from Trappe, Md., that "Home Run" Baker, that the famous "home run" batter, will not cavort again. Baker, who has been a professional baseball player, has decided to retire. He has been a professional baseball player, has decided to retire. He has been a professional baseball player, has decided to retire.

Honesty speaks for itself.
IMPERIALES MOUTHPIECE CIGARETTES
are so honest in their workmanship, so superior in good tobacco well blended, smoke so fragrantly cool through the mouthpiece, that they speak quality in any company.

TOMMY QUINLAN LOSES EYE IN BATTLE
Word was received here today that Tommy Quinlan, a former Salt Lake cutfighter, and more recently in the fighting in the forest. Quinlan was wounded several times in the battle. It is said he is a physical wreck and never will play again.

Scene at Oakland Coast League Park yesterday afternoon when OAKLAND TRIBUNE pennant was presented to the Hanlon team, champions of the Shipbuilders' Baseball League. The players lined up behind the pennant are, left to right: GREGORY, KILHULLEN, LANE, MERANI, SCHICK, CALDERA, MANDA, ALLEN, MARTIN, PRENTICE and MANAGER WILLIAM KENWORTHY, accepting loving cup from AMBOSE FURRER. Billy Hollander, who played a big part in winning the pennant, was not in uniform because of his injured foot.



Pierotti Is Wilder Than Auditorium Boxing Show To Help County's Needy
The Wild Man Tractors Land on Vitt Pitcher and Also Draw Many Walks.

Hammering the offerings of Pitcher Babe Pierotti all around the lot, and also taking advantage of his wildness, when they got two kind of a wild man in the Auditorium boxing show. Pierotti is a wild man, and he is a wild man. He is a wild man, and he is a wild man.

Bowling Gossip
In the wind-up match in the Chevrolet diamond medal tournament, Ham and Whitney by great bowling, took the odd game. The match was a close one, but Ham and Whitney were the winners.

Alameda Fans Cavaney Is See 14-Inning Due to Wear Even-Up Game League Unie
Timekeepers and the Laundry San Francisco Shortstop Was Class of Short Patch Covers Here.

Residing being the leading hitter in the Shipbuilders' League, Billy Cavaney, the shortstop of the San Francisco team, was the best shortstop cover. He played in three games since Carter Elliott and Billy Hollander, Cavaney accepted and he played in three games since Carter Elliott and Billy Hollander, Cavaney accepted.

Midwinter League
STANDING OF THE CLUBS.
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Crystal Laundry . . . 2 1 .667
Halton-Didders . . . 2 1 .667
Oak. Com. Merchants . . . 2 1 .667
Vitt Grays . . . 1 2 .333
Timekeepers . . . 0 3 .000

Bethlehem Soccer Team Wants Too Much for Expenses
The Bethlehem Steel Company soccer team, recognized as the best in the country, will not be seen in action here until the first of the season. The team is waiting for the season to start.

McLoughlin and Fotrell Beaten in Tennis Match
Lawn tennis fans came into their own yesterday when Maurice McLoughlin and Edna Fotrell played and lost an exhibition match to John Strachan and Roland Roberts on the courts of the University Club in San Francisco. For the first time since the season started, the "big boys" returned to the courts of their former triumphs and attracted a big crowd.

Students Who Went to War Protected by a New Ruling
PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 15.—Students of colleges belonging to the Pacific Coast conference, who dropped the issue of the war, are now protected by a new ruling. The ruling states that students who have served in the war are protected.

GOLF TOURNAMENT FOR LADIES AT CLAREMONT
The fair sex will take possession of the links of the Claremont Country Club tomorrow when the opening rounds of a new tournament will be staged. The Claremont ladies are recognized as the most efficient golfers on either side of the bay and some clever work is sure to be witnessed. There is some talk of the ladies of the California club challenging the locals and such a duel would be welcomed.

DICK DUNGAN ALIVE
Dick Dungan, a local swimmer, who was reported killed in France a few weeks ago, is alive and well and back in the United States. Members of the Piedmont club are planning a New Year's home party for Dick. He is at present in New York.

Hanlons Shut Out After Receiving Tribune Pennant And Ambrose Silver Trophy

Jack Bromley Holds Shipyard Champions Safe, While Playmates Collect Tallies

Crockett has turned out the championship semi-pro baseball team for the 1918 season. This was granted yesterday at Oakland Coast League Park after Tom Cahalan's boys from the sugar town had spoiled a perfectly well-planned pennant day for the Hanlon shipyard champions by slipping them a 5-to-0 defeat. It was a happy party of Hanlon players when they lined up near the plate after the first half of the first inning and were presented with The OAKLAND TRIBUNE pennant and trophies, and the loving cup given by Ambrose Furrer. Jack Baumgarten was the orator at the presentation, and Bill Kenworthy, manager of the shipyard champions, received the trophies with big smiles, while his headgear was somewhat different than that which the fans have been accustomed to.

Bill Kenworthy, who has been the way of a piece of falling hardware at the shipyard, and was out cold for a few minutes, but he came back with a bandaged head and remained out of the lineup. It was well that Bill did have that bandage on his head about the time he was hit, for he came back with a bandaged head and remained out of the lineup. It was well that Bill did have that bandage on his head about the time he was hit, for he came back with a bandaged head and remained out of the lineup.

No one can accuse the little town of Crockett of being a dead end if the rest of the population is as lively as the percentage of those that were down to witness the championship struggle. At each inning a couple of hundreds of people came to the game, and the double that number when Eldred made his first hit. The game was not only a noisy one, but it was a noisy one. The game was not only a noisy one, but it was a noisy one.

Those teams were the only ones that were to be contenders for any title. The game was not only a noisy one, but it was a noisy one. The game was not only a noisy one, but it was a noisy one. The game was not only a noisy one, but it was a noisy one.

Basketball Teams of Berkeley "Y" Add Two More Victories
The Berkeley "Y" basketball score book will show a fine record for the team at the end of the season if the boys who have been playing in the "Y" basketball league continue to play. The team has been playing in the "Y" basketball league and has been playing in the "Y" basketball league.

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Laffargue and Vianni Star When Transbay Club Wins
STANDING OF THE CLUBS.
Club Won. Lost. Pct.
Jeffersons 7 2 .777
Americans 5 4 .555
North Beach Feds 4 5 .444
Sanborn, Vail 1 8 .111

The Sanborn, Vail, sank a little deeper into the cellar of the San Francisco Midwinter League yesterday when they handed a double defeat to the American Eagles. Frenchie Laffargue, an American player, was the star of the game. He played a great game and was the star of the game.

WOUNDED MAN SAWS AT LEG TO SAVE LIFE

Bringing home as a war memento a fragment of shrapnel shell which he dug out of his own wounded leg, Charles Rienecker, the first wounded Alameda soldier from France to return home, reached Letterman hospital in San Francisco from New York yesterday afternoon, and this afternoon he came to Alameda to visit his grandmother and father.

Until a few days ago, Rienecker was on crutches after several months in military hospitals, but he now walks with the aid of a cane. He will be at Letterman hospital for an indefinite period, but expects to eventually fully recover. He has a serious wound in the calf of his right leg and a second wound in the hip, but the latter wound is not serious.

Rienecker was wounded in the July offensive at Chateau Thierry just as he was going over the top. A shrapnel shell from a German gun exploded squarely against a group of American soldiers in a dugout. The casualties were heavy. There were some fatalities and several of the soldiers lost arms and legs. Rienecker had a great hole gouged out of his leg, exposing several inches of ligament, which was torn loose at one broken end and held fast to the leg by the other end. The wounded soldier tried to cut the exposed ligament loose with his pocket knife, but the knife was dull, the ligament seemed hard as metal, perhaps from the burning effect of the wound and gas, and the soldier was unable to saw the torn section of ligament loose. He lay for two hours before the ambulance arrived and took him to a hospital.

His leg wound did not bleed much, or else he would have bled to death. The wounded man suffered mostly from burning heat in the wound. He landed in New York two weeks ago. Rienecker was drafted from this city in the summer of 1917. He quickly got overseas and saw considerable active service. He is the son of N. Rienecker and the family home is at 2518 Eagle avenue.

Has Used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for Fifteen Years

"We have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our family during the past fifteen years and have taken it myself and have given it to the children for coughs and colds, and have found it to be a quick cure for these complaints," writes Mrs. William C. Proffit, Panama, Ill. For sale by Osgood Bros. Drug Stores—Advertisement.

Letter From Siberia Tells Soldier's Secret



MR. AND MRS. JACK DWYER, whose secret wedding in 1917 has just become known.

Pearl Courtney Becomes Bride of Jack Dwyer Before He Went to War

When young Jack Dwyer, 778 Seventh street, was called to the army more than a year ago, friends who knew that he and Miss Pearl Courtney had been sweethearts since school days, expected them to be married. But there was no hint of any ceremony—not until today, when Mrs. C. J. Dwyer, mother of the soldier, received a letter from far-away Siberia.

It was a bit of a shock to her, but a pleasant one, and she hurried to the Courtney home on Filbert street with word of a secret wedding which took place November 11, 1917. Miss Courtney and Dwyer were married on that day in Woodland by the Rev.

Father T. J. Horan, in St. Agnes' Catholic church.

The letter from Siberia gave the families the first intimation of the wedding. There were congratulations all around, by word here and by letter to the soldier in Siberia.

Dwyer and his bride were school-mates at St. Mary's parochial school. After graduating from the Technical high school, Mrs. Dwyer became a stenographer in a law office, and Dwyer an accountant with a manufacturing firm. Three years ago they became engaged.

Mrs. Dwyer is the only daughter of William T. Courtney, former president of the Oakland city council.

BUSINESSMEN SISSIES, SAYS U. C. SPEAKER

Modern business men were classed as "sissies," while efficiency was declared one of the two biggest "curses" of the age by Professor Ian B. Stoughton-Holborn, Oxford professor and member of the University of California extension division faculty, in an address last night before the Channing Club of the First Unitarian Church at Berkeley.

Dr. Holborn resented the fact that the sobriquet "sissy" had been applied to poets, philosophers and others of like calling.

"When I came here from England I found that the poets, philosophers and philosophers were classed as 'sissies,'" he said. "That is amusing, first because, although there have been many Amazons and Joans of Arc, there have never been a great woman philosopher and only one great woman poet, and secondly, because it is the modern business man who is the sissy. He has handed over the leadership of the world and engaged in the work of women and slaves."

BARD BY THE FIRE.

"Women used to be the weavers and the providers of winter storage, while the slaves did the transport work. Manufactures, food preserving and transport are now taken over by so-called freemen, and the first cure for the world's ills is to transport is the house, which is managed by the woman."

"In old days the warrior and the bard sat by the fire and the women and the slaves did the menial work. Now the man does the menial work and the woman directs."

In support of his contention, Professor Holborn drew attention to the new union between warrior and poet during the war. He declared that as far as poets and men of culture being "sissies" they were in his experience the very best of men. He declared that the modern man is a romantic adventurer and athletic prowess.

"I very much resent being called a 'sissy,'" he told the audience in relating his own experience of his own while swimming, sailing and exploring on ice fields.

Talking in the theme "Culture and Kultur, the True and the False," Professor Holborn defined culture as the cultivation of the end as opposed to kultur, the mere cultivation of the means.

EFFICIENCY IS CURSE.

Efficiency, he said, is one of the two biggest curses of the age, because it makes the mere efficiency, the mere force, an end in itself and makes an efficient machine instead of developing his manhood. Might or efficiency becomes right and Germany and the great combines follow out their careers of ruthlessness, while man fails to grasp the greatness of his destiny and becomes a mere specialist, who from lack of the broad vision becomes incapable of leadership.

"The end is that which is valuable in itself for itself as opposed to the merely useful, which is useful for some end. The modern seems always to be about asking: 'Are you sure this has no value in itself? I only want something useful.'"

He gave as examples of ends, beauty and wisdom and the building up of manhood as opposed to specialization or business or efficiency which are only means. The artist, poet and philosopher are the typical examples of men who declared, who pursue the end rather than means, culture rather than kultur. The poets and philosophers are the leaders and inspirers of men who find the end for the rest of mankind to pursue, said Dr. Holborn.

"We treasure every scrap we can learn of Shakespeare or Socrates, but we are not interested in the men who supplied them with pork," declared the speaker.

"Should we not rather desire to leave an influence behind us for the making of men than to pile up wealth. Millions of dead lie in Flanders fields and the far-flung battle lines. They died for civilization and it is ours to take the torch from them and live for civilization. Can we let our boys die that we may cover our backs and roll our bodies along on inflated tires, while our minds are empty and our manhood untrained?"

What is doing TO-NIGHT.

Fitchburg Soc. Club, 727 E. 14th street. Red Cross meets. Rebekahs fraternal party, T. & D. Anti-Vivisection Soc., Pacific bldg. Laraka white party, Lincoln hall. Henrich concert, Auditorium. Vernon-Lockridge Imp. Club, 835. Orpheum—Maud Lambert and Ernest R. Hall. Fulton—Grumpy. Ve Liberty—The Man They Left Behind. Pauline—On That Melody. Macdonough—Hearts of the World. T. & D.—Charlie Chaplin. American—A Perfect Lady. Kismet—Norma Talmadge. Francis—Come On In. Broadway—The Temple of Mink. Lake Merritt—Boating. Marie Hall—Dancing.

What is doing TO-MORROW.

Attitude Imp. Club, Mutual hall, etc. Merchants' Exchange meets, etc. Civil Service Board meets, City Hall, etc. E. of C. what party, Pacific bldg., etc. Macdonough festival, Pacific bldg., etc. Needlework Guild, 15th Century Club, Bkly. Progress Council what party, etc. Oakland Federation of Mothers' Clubs in Christ hall, at 2 p. m.

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"Liquid Fire" on Oakland Street Ties Up Traffic

The San Pablo avenue trenches also experienced liquid fire this morning.

Gasoline leaking from the carburetor of Dr. J. F. Moore's automobile parked at the curb outside the First National Bank building caught fire as it flowed down the gutter. Owners of motor cars parked in the danger zone hurried to get them out. Hundreds on their way to work jumped from the street cars to watch. The resulting confusion tied up street traffic for fifteen minutes.

A fire department chemical engine put out the blaze. The only damage was to Dr. Moore's car, which was badly scorched.

PROMISE TO BE GOOD NO GOOD

Although Edwin Beldis, a butcher, arrested last night at First and Broadway and charged with driving an automobile while intoxicated and also with failing to have a license, pleaded with Judge George Samuels that he would not do it again, he was sent back to the city jail to await sentence tomorrow.

Assessors Decide to Delay Conference

The California conference of assessors and inheritance tax appraisers has been postponed, according to the message received today by County Assessor-elect I. H. Clay from Ed J. Kay, secretary of the body.

New Revelations of a Wife starts soon in THE TRIBUNE.

AIRMEN FIGHT FOR LIVES IN FOG BLANKET

Baffled at every turn by an impenetrable fog blanketing Mount Diablo and barring their way, five army airplanes flying from Mather Field to participate in San Francisco's Red Cross activities, were finally forced to put back to Sacramento before noon today.

Under command of Lieutenant H. B. Hart, the planes took to the air in ideal flying weather. As the machines drummed up from Mather Field the sky was cloudless, the sun shined brightly and the wind steady.

But as Mount Diablo was approached between 10 and 11 o'clock, a gray haze dimmed the air. And then, in a trice the fliers were in the thick of a dense fog cutting off each man in complete isolation.

It was every man for himself. None could see his neighbors. Even the whir of the propellers was dulled by the enveloping fog. As for signals of the ground or the jutting shoulders of Mount Diablo, the rolling masses of vapor hid all.

So quickly had the squadron been enveloped by the fog that none had had time to note the positions of his neighbors. A crash would spell disaster. Ears were strained to the utmost, eyes were alert in the vain attempt to pierce beyond the sluggish billows.

But try as they might, the fliers could not win through the fog. So at length, one by one, they gave up the fight and turning back emerged once more in the sunlight. When the squadron was reunited, it was found that all but one had come through unscathed. A slight injury had been sustained by one machine in the shifting about.

Unaware of what had occurred, Red Cross workers in San Francisco looked in vain for the coming of the airplanes. The skies were clearer than in many a day and failure of the machines to arrive could not be understood, until a phone message from Mather Field announced the return there of the machines and the

Police Neutrality Bureau Disbanded, Its Work Finished

Its purposes accomplished, the Police Neutrality Bureau was disbanded today by Chief J. H. Nedderman. Two members will continue to work for the present, bringing the record files to date.

Organized seven months ago to investigate federal cases in connection with anti-war activities, the bureau also dealt in vice suppression. One of its more recent activities was the raid two weeks ago on the Bartenders' Club in which fifteen arrests on gambling charges were made.

Chief Nedderman in future will direct vice suppression from his office through a corps of operators to include two policewomen yet to be appointed.

These transfers of members of the neutrality bureau were ordered: Captain Thorwald Brown, Lieutenant William F. Woods and Patrolmen Meyers and Anderson, to Melrose station; Lieut. Bert Curtiss, to Northern station; Patrolmen Hull and Nightingale, to Central station.

PURSE AND \$50 STOLEN.

Andrew Bernd, 317 Thirteenth street, reported to the police today that his room was entered last night and a purse containing \$50 stolen. The thief forced a window and rifled the contents of a number of bureau drawers.

adventure around Mount Diablo.

A second attempt to fly to San Francisco will be made on the first clear day. Post Adjutant Lieutenant Noel Chamberlain announced at Mather Field.

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PEN EXPERTS TO TILT IN CLAPP TRIAL

Rolla B. Clapp, originator and promoter of several development schemes representing millions of dollars, and the son of C. W. Clapp, a mining operator known all along the Pacific coast, was placed on trial in Judge Wells' court today on a charge of forging a check for \$45. The trial will develop into a battle of handwriting experts, it being claimed by the defense that the signature is not a forgery, but that the signer of the check has no fixed signature and is not capable of identifying his own writing.

Clapp is represented by three prominent attorneys, friends of the family, who volunteered their services. They are Judge O. N. Hilton of Denver, well-known criminal and labor lawyer, Judge H. W. Bard, former federal judge at Portland, and Soren X. Christensen.

T. L. Christianson of this city also appears for the defense. The check Clapp is accused of forging was drawn by the American Silver Syndicate and was cashed here by the Bank of Italy. It is signed by the president of the syndicate and carries the name "E. M. Farnham," secretary of the concern. The Farnham signature is alleged by the prosecution to have been forged by Clapp.

The defense will produce many specimens of Farnham's signature to show that he has no one way of writing his name, but that it varies according to whim or the position in which he is writing. It will attempt to show that Farnham is incapable of swearing to his signature. Both sides are well fortified by handwriting experts who will be called as witnesses.

Young Clapp originated and developed the half-billion dollar Pacific railroad project from Denver to San Diego, which was halted by the war. He also set in motion the plan to put 200,000 square miles of Colorado basin lands under settlement. He is a consulting engineer.

DANCING TONIGHT at MAPLE HALL.—Advertisement.

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